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Towards an open service platform in NGN

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Outline

- o NGN capabilities
- Towards an open service platform in NGN
- ITU-T developments including collaboration with other Standards Development Organizations

Next Generation Services

- o From today's networks
 - Services are typically "vertically integrated"
 - Services require specific infrastructure components for their delivery
- to NGN: flexible service creation and provisioning
 - Horizontal Convergence: services are no more vertically integrated
 - Network functions are componentised
 - New paradigm: standard "capabilities" as service enabling toolkit
- Key objectives in NGN service standardisation
 - Not just a new voice network
 - "Service level equal or better than in circuit-switched networks"
 - Services specified in terms of required "capabilities"
 - Service definitions not an objective like in legacy world
 - Public Interest Services are a special case

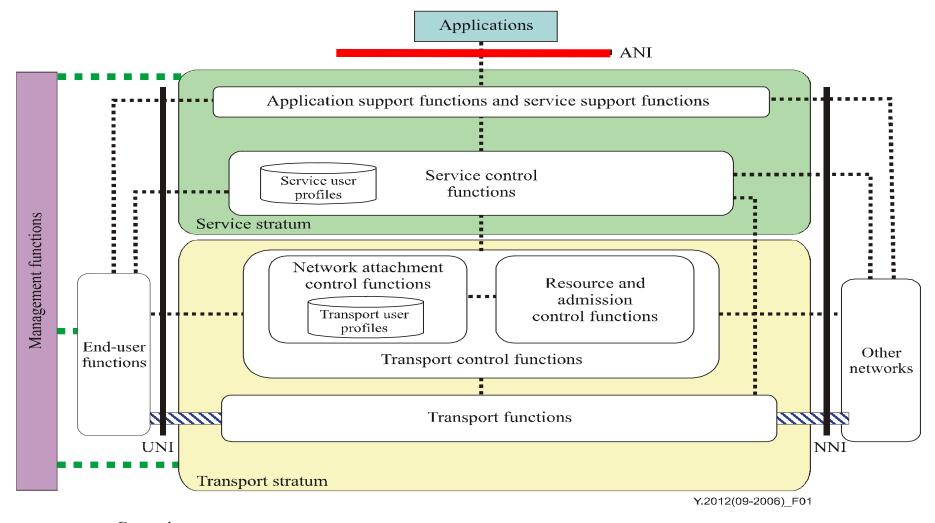
Service Shift as consequence of NGN service vs transport stratum separation

Capabilities for NGN Rel.1 and Rel. 2 (Y.2201 Rev.1)

- Transport connectivity
- Communication modes
- o Multicast
- o Media resource management
- o Codecs
- Access Networks, network attachment
- User networks
- Interconnection, Interoperability and Interworking
- Numbering, naming, addressing
- o Identific., authentic., authoriz.
- o Security
- Routing
- o QoS
- o OAM and Survivability
- Accounting and Charging
- o Management

- o Mobility handling
- o Service enablers
- o Open service environment
- o Profile management
- o Policy management
- PSTN/ISDN emulation and simulation
- o Public Interest Services support
- Critical infrastructure protection
- Non disclosure of info across NNI
- Inter-provider exchange of userrelated information
- o Context awareness
- o Identity management
- o Content management
- IPTV services support capabilities
- Enterprise Networks support capabilities
- IPV6 support capabilities

Application Network Interface in NGN Release 1 Reference Architecture (Y.2012)



Control
Media
Management

"Capabilities" as re-usable building blocks for applications/services

Applications

Generic concept of ANI (Application Network Interface)



- Reusable set of "Capabilities" for reduced service development costs
- o (Open) service environment for flexible and agile service creation, execution and management
 - (Open) service platform concept
 - "Rapid change" is key for satisfying the changing customer needs
 - New business opportunities via an environment integrating applications and telecom infrastructure

Increased business opportunities with an open service platform



End user created applications

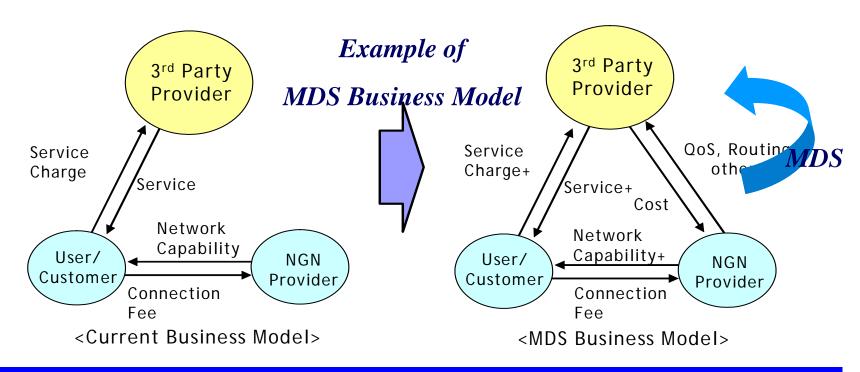
3rd Party applications

NGN Provider services

NGN common building blocks

New business opportunities: the 3rd party scenarios of Managed Delivery Services (MDS) - Y.2212

- NGN dynamic features and comprehensive service delivery control capabilities are made available via MDS through ANI by the NGN Provider to 3rd Party Providers and their customers
- o 3rd Party Providers can offer enhanced services to their customers



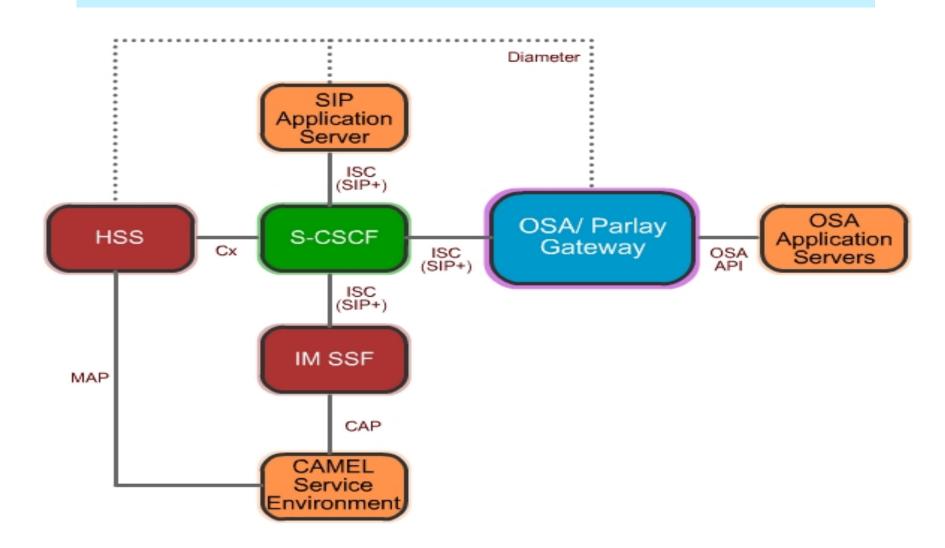
A win-win situation for both 3rd Party Provider and NGN Provider

Towards an open service environment in NGN

- o "Open service environment" key attributes
 - Exposure of capabilities via standard application network interfaces
 - Leveraging capabilities from different network domains (Internet/Web 2.0, Broadcast Networks, Mobile Networks etc.)
 - Portability and re-usability of capabilities across network domains (e.g. from the Internet to NGN, and from NGN to the Internet)
 - Flexible development of services (applications) and capabilities by NGN Providers as well as by Application Providers (and End Users)
- o Enabling interworking with other service creation environments (recommended for support in NGN Release 1):
 - IN-based service creation environment (INAP, CAMEL, WIN, ...)
 - IMS-based service creation environment
 - Open service creation environment (OSA/Parlay, OMA, ...)

Framework for value added applications leveraging network capabilities (COMMUNICATIONS-ENABLED APPLICATIONS)

Other service creation environments - example



Source: 3GPP IMS and OSA/Parlay

Approaches for an open service environment in NGN

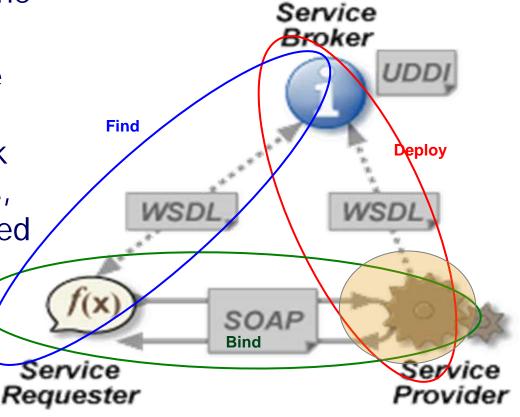
- o How to open
 - Adopting a Service Oriented Architectures (SOA)
 framework from the Information Technology world,
 and enhance it as appropriate Telecom SOA
 - Using enhanced Web Services (WS) as implementation tool set of the Telecom SOA framework
 - but other tools (e.g. REST) are not excluded
- What to open (exposing via standard interfaces)
 - NGN capabilities to Applications
 - Telecom APIs
 - NGN capabilities to other NGN capabilities

Service Oriented Architectures (SOA)

O SOA framework was originally developed in the IT world

o SOA resources are made available to other participants in a network via independent services, accessed in a standardized way

SOA systems comprise loosely joined, highly interoperable services



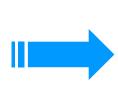
Web Services (WS)

- WS are simple XML-based messages for machine-machine messaging, acting as XML-based APIs
- WS use standard Internet technologies to interact each other dynamically, open standards connect disparate platforms
- WS security model is well understood
- WS are loosely coupled, can be combined to form complex services
- Market success of WS based middleware (e.g. Google and eBay are major WS users)



Telecom SOA and enhanced Web Services: new challenges for the development of standards

- o Key values of a SOA framework
 - Cross-platform and highly reusable
- Most SOA implementations identify Web Services as the means for realizing a SOA
- But new requirements have to supported for a Telecom SOA
- o Web Services enhancements are required, e.g.
 - Carrier grade reliability and performance
 - Service traceability
 - WS standards convergence and harmonization



To a common set of Telecom APIs reusable across different NGN service platform implementations

Initial ITU-T work items in the NGN service platform area

ITU-T SG13 is increasing its activities in this area

- Y.2234: Open service environment capabilities for NGN (Sep08)
- Y.OSE-arch "OSE functional architecture for NGN" (launch in Jan09)
- Y.NGN-SIDE-Req: Requirements for NGN Service Integration and Delivery Environment (launch in May09)
- Y.2212: Requirements of Managed Delivery Services (Jan08)
- Y.2232: NGN convergence service model and scenario using WS (Feb08)
- Y.2235: Converged web-browsing service scenarios in NGN (Dec08)
- Deliverables based on past OCAF Focus Group activities (Dec06)
 - Y.2901/Y.2902 Carrier grade open environment model/components

Other ITU-T activities in Telecom SOA and WS include

- M.3060: Principles for NGN management (March06) (ITU-T SG4)
- SOA/WS related security aspects (ITU-T SG17)
- Middleware aspects for IPTV and USN (ITU-T SG16)

Y.2234: NGN Open service environment (NGN OSE)

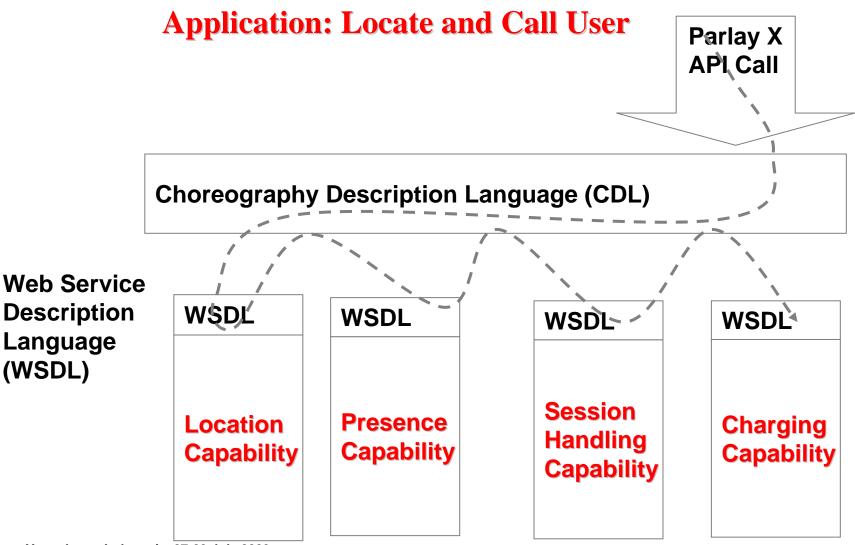
NGN OSE

- requires the use of standard interfaces
- opens the capabilities of the NGN to third parties
- provides a SOA enabled environment
- may be implemented via Web Services technologies
- o NGN OSE high level requirements
 - to provide standard APIs for application providers and developers, and potentially end users
 - to provide service level interoperability underlying different networks, operating systems and programming languages
 - to support service independence from NGN providers and manufacturers
 - to support NGN OSE capabilities based on NGN providers' capabilities [OSE capabilities based on application providers' capabilities not supported in this version of Y.2234]
 - · to support location, network and protocol transparency
 - to provide secure access to NGN OSE capabilities satisfying the general NGN security requirements

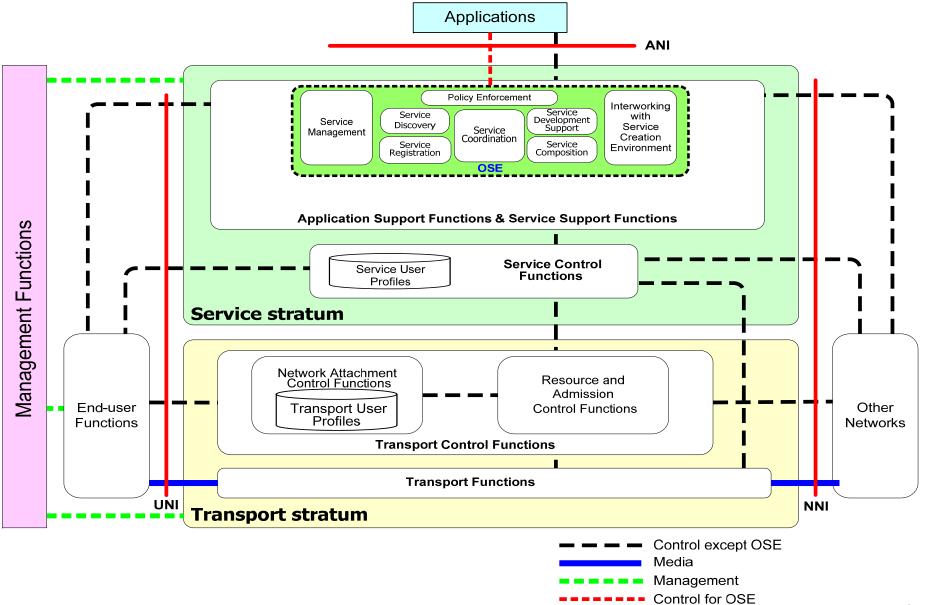
Capabilities of NGN OSE

- Registration of capabilities and services(/applications)
- Discovery by users and devices of capabilities and services and other network information and resources of their interest
- Coordination of services with capabilities
- Composition for flexible composition of services
- Management of services and capabilities
- Development support for efficient service construction, trialing, deployment, removal
- Policy enforcement for resources protection and management, and service personalization
- Interworking with other service creation environments

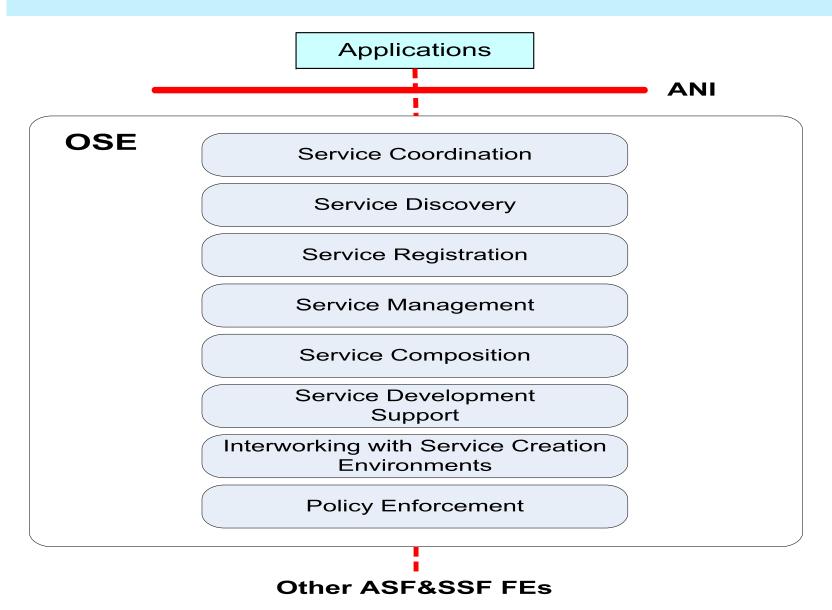
Example of "Composition" (implemented via Web Services)



NGN OSE positioning within the NGN Architecture



Functional components of NGN OSE

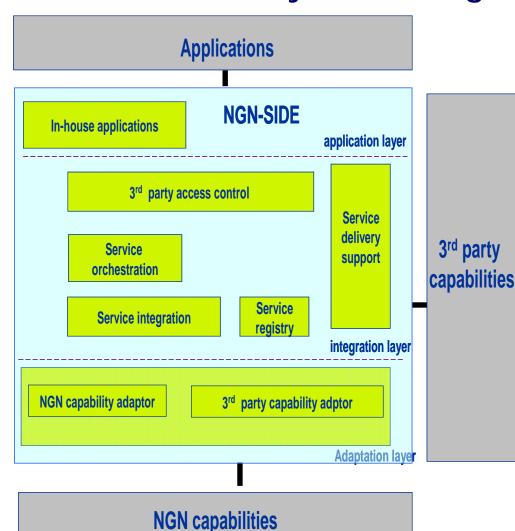


		[ITU-T Y.2012] ASF&SSF FEs				
Mapping of NGN OSE functional		APL-GW-FE	APL-SCM-FE	AS-FE	SS-FE	New FE currently not identified
I f	components into NGN ASF&SSF functional entities [Y.2234]	serves as an interworking entity between the applications, and services and capabilities of the NGN (adapted from [ITU-T Y.2012])	manages interactions between multiple application services (or servers) [ITU-T Y.2012]	supports generic application server functions including hosting and executing services [ITU-T Y.2012]	provides access and interworking to a legacy IN SCP [ITU-T Y.2012]	
O S E	Service discovery	optional	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	optional
	Service management	optional	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	optional
	Service registration	optional	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	optional
	Service coordination	not applicable	optional	not applicable	not applicable	optional
	Service composition	not applicable	optional	not applicable	not applicable	optional
	Service development support	optional	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	optional
	Interworking with service creation environments	optional	not applicable	optional	optional	optional
	Policy enforcement	optional	optional	not applicable	not applicable	optional

Requirements for NGN Service Integration and Delivery Environment (NGN-SIDE) – 1st draft from July 09 meeting

Y.NGN-SIDE-Req content - draft

- NGN-SIDE capabilities
 - Generic capability set
 - Application-specific capability sets
 - Functional positioning (NGN architecture, NGN OSE)
- Requirements of NGN-SIDE capabilities
 - General requirements
 - Service interface requirements across ANI, NNI and UNI
 - Open service interface requirements within NGN-SIDE
- o Appendixes
 - Application scenarios
 - Survey of API standardisation
 - Capabilities and APIs in relevant market SDPs



NGN-SIDE functional framework

- draft

Collaboration with other Standards Development Organizations

- A number of SDOs, Forums and Consortia are involved in standards developments related to service infrastructure aspects, including
 - OMA (OMA Service (Provider) Environment, enablers, Parlay-X WS/APIs (inherited from Parlay Group))
 - TeleManagement Forum (Service Delivery Framework)
 - OASIS (Telecommunications Services Member Section, others)
 - IEEE (NGSON (Next Generation Service Overlay Network))
 - GSMA (OneAPI)
 - ATIS (SON (Service Oriented Networks))
- Convergence and harmonization of standards are essential
- ITU-T (SG13) has started collaboration with other organizations
 - OMA, OASIS, TMF, IEEE NGSON (via meetings and/or liaisons and/or mutual analysis of deliverables)
 - Plan to strengthen this collaboration based on the current increasing level of ITU-T activities in this area

Conclusion

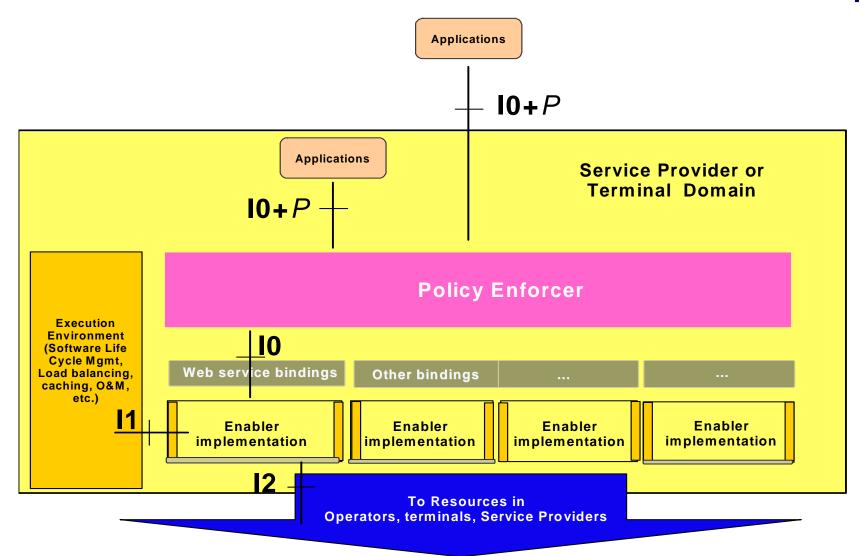
- Towards an open service platform in NGN
 - Service Oriented Architectures (SOA) as framework
 - Web Services (WS) as implementation tool set
- SOA and WS enable new business revenues within an integrated applications-telecommunication network environment
 - but bring new challenges to the development of standards (not fully discussed here)
- Increasing involvement of ITU-T in this area
 - NGN OSE and other recent developments
- Numerous other SDOs, Forums and Consortia also involved
 - convergence and harmonization of standards are essential
 - ITU-T has started collaboration with other SDOs in order to integrate relevant specifications within its NGN standardization framework

Thank you for your attention

Questions?

Backup slides

Analysing the work of other SDOs for NGN OSE – the OMA Service Environment example



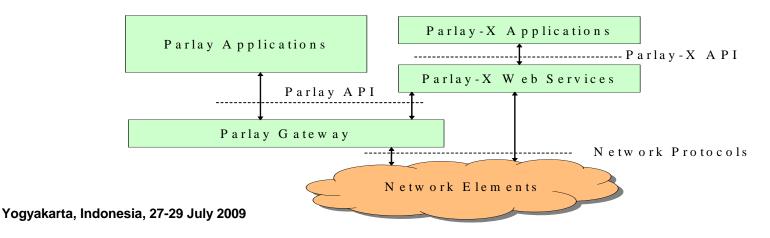
Source: Open Mobile Alliance

Parlay-X Web Services/API specifications

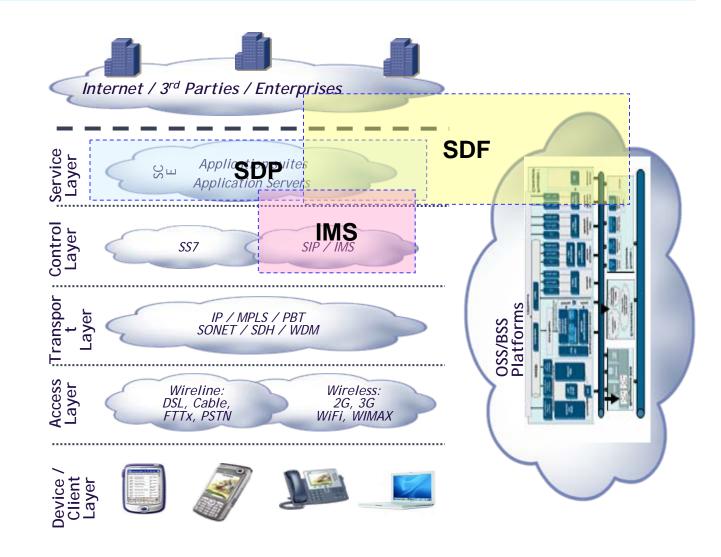
Parlay-X Web Services specifications provide simple, abstracted telecom Web Services based on use of network capabilities

Part 12: "Multimedia conference" Part 1: "Common" Part 13: "Address list management" Part 2: "Third party call" Part 14: "Presence" Part 3: "Call Notification" Part 15: "Message Broadcast" Part 4: "Short Messaging" 0 Part 16: "Geocoding" Part 5: "Multimedia Messaging" Part 17: "Application driven QoS" Part 6: "Payment" 0 Part 18: "Device Capabilities and Config" Part 7: "Account management" Part 19: "Multimedia streaming control" Part 8: "Terminal Status" 0 Part 20: "Multimedia multicast session management" Part 9: "Terminal location" 0 Part 21: "Content management" Part 10: "Call handling" 0 Part 22: "Policy" Part 11: "Audio call" 0

Parlay-X Architecture



TMF SDF: positioning and relationship with OSS/BSS



Source: TeleManagement Forum